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QUOTE: S E C R E T TEL AVIV 11005

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, XF, US, IS, EG
SUBJECT: SOME REFLECTIONS FROM CAIRO

REF: CAIRO 22130 (USDEL CAIRO 0027)

1. ROY ATHERTON'S REFLECTIONS ON POSSIBLE SCENARIOS
IN EVENT THAT SADAT-BEGIN MEETING DEADLOCKS OVER THE
PROBLEM OF A SUFFICIENT ISRAELI DECLARATION SEEM
LOGICAL FROM THIS VANTAGE POINT. A COMBINATION OF
A AND B (PARA FOUR OF REFTTEL) SEEMS MOST LIKELY, SINCE
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BOTH MEN ARE ACQUIRING DAILY A GREATER STAKE IN NOT
HAVING THEIR MEETING END IN OBVIOUS FAILURE.

2. WITH REGARD TO SCENARIO D, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
ONE POINT, HOWEVER. UNDER THIS POSSIBILITY, SADAT
WOULD GO PUBLIC WITH THE SORT OF STATEMENT HE BELIEVES
ISRAEL SHOULD MAKE "AND GENERATE INTERNATIONAL AND

DOMESTIC PRESSURES ON THE BEGIN GOVERNMENT."
INTERNATIONAL PRESSURES, VERY LIKELY. DOMESTIC
PRESSURES, HIGHLY UNLIKELY. ALTHOUGH THE FULL
DIMENSIONS OF BEGIN'S WEST BANK PROPOSALS ARE NOT
YET KNOWN WIDELY HERE, THERE IS WIDESPREAD AMAZEMENT,
CUTTING ACROSS THE WHOLE POLITICAL SPECTRUM, THAT BEGIN
HAS OBVIOUSLY MADE WHAT FOR HIM IS AN EXTRAORDINARY
BREAK WITH HIS LONG-HELD POSITION ON ISRAELI
SOVEREIGNTY OVER ALL OF THE "LAND OF ISRAEL." WHILE
MANY ISRAELIS ASSUME HE MAY HAVE TO GO FURTHER
EVENTUALLY IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPT AND JORDAN, THERE
WILL BE NO RPT NO DOMESTIC PRESSURE ON HIM TO GO
FURTHER AT THIS POINT BEFORE DETAILED NEGOTIATIONS
BEGIN. INDEED, IF SADAT WERE TO FOLLOW SCENARIO D
WITH THIS EXPECTATION IN MIND, I THINK HE WOULD BE
RAPIDLY DISILLUSIONED BY THE EFFECT. BEGIN'S
IMMEDIATE DOMESTIC PROBLEM IS TO CONVINCE EVEN SOME
OF THE LABOR PARTY LEADERS THAT HE IS NOT SETTING THE
STAGE FOR THE DREADED INDEPENDENT PALESTINIAN STATE
TO EMERGE. IF SADAT TRIES TO MOBILIZE DOMESTIC
PRESSURE ON BEGIN FOR A MORE FORTHCOMING DECLARATION
AT THIS STAGE, HE IS MORE LIKELY TO PRODUCE A HARDENING
OF DOMESTIC OPINION BEHIND BEGIN'S POSITION THAN THE
REVERSE. LEWIS UNQUOTE VANCE

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